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IN THE
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s): Wayne Tangen

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Application No.: 10/051,478

Examiner: Vu, Trisha U.

Filing Date: 1/16/2002

Group Art Unit: 2112

Title: CIRCUIT AND METHOD FOR EXPANDING A SERIAL BUS

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- (X) Response/Amendment () Petition to extend time to respond
(X) New fee as calculated below () Supplemental Declaration
() No additional fee
() Other: _____ (fee \$ _____)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY						
(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS	14	MINUS	20	= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	5	MINUS	3	= 2	X \$88	\$ 176
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$300	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$430.00	3RD MONTH \$980.00	4TH MONTH \$1530.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 176

Charge \$ 176 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, 1.19, 1.20 and 1.21. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF JULY 29, 2004

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Sir:

In regard to the outstanding nonfinal Office Action mailed on July 29, 2004, Applicant submits the following Response.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: